

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

MANABU HARAGUCHI

For: OFFSET MEASURING MECHANISM
AND OFFSET MEASURING
METHOD IN A BONDING
APPARATUS

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TRANSMITTAL OF INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
UNDER 37 CFR 1.97(b)(1)

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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicant for the above-identified application hereby submits legible copies of the following relevant arts along with the FORM PTO-1449 which contains the information required by 37 CFR 1.98(b):

A. Japanese Patent Application Laid-Open (Kokai) No. 2001-203234 published in Japan on July 27, 2001; and

B. Japanese Application Laid-Open (Kokai) No. 2000-021923 published in Japan on January 21, 2000 (corresponding to Japanese Patent No. 2982000).

The above-listed prior art are not in the English language, but the concise explanation of relevance of these prior art is incorporated in the specification pursuant to 37 CFR 1.98(a)(3). Nonetheless, an English language abstract of these prior art is attached to the copy thereof.

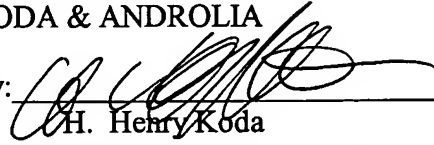
It is, therefore, respectfully requested that the Patent Office make a record of these relevant art and consider them during the prosecution.

Respectfully submitted,

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	Kataoka et al., "Insulating Property of Plasma Sprayed Alumina Coatings Sealed by Laser PVD Film", posted in 1994 on the Internet web page of Aichi Industrial Technology Institute.					
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